

THE TALK OF THE TOWN

EMPEROR VIEWS GERMANY'S MOST POWERFUL FLEET

KIEL, GERMANY, Special.—Emperor William today reviewed the mightiest German fleet ever assembled from the quarter deck of the Imperial yacht Hohenzollern.

One hundred and forty men of war, comprising twenty-two battleships, four armored cruisers, ten protected cruisers, twenty-six modern ocean-going torpedo boats, twenty-four mine sweepers and a flotilla of submarines in the vast array of fighting craft that swept with majesty and grace before the Emperor's yacht.

Standing by the war lord's side was Archduke Franz Ferdinand, heir presumptive to the Austrian throne, and Austrian Minister of Marine Admiral Count Montecuccoli, who had been invited to witness the review.

Swimmer Loses Life

SPENCER, N. C.—Special.—Braxton Barkley, aged seventeen years, of Salisbury, was drowned at Sheepshead, 10 miles north of Spencer yesterday. Barkley, in company with three other boys, left his home in Salisbury for a swim in the river. The young man attempted to swim to a large rock in the river. All were successful except Barkley.

THREE BOYS DROWNED WHEN CANOE OVERTURNS

SHARON, PA.—Special.—Ernest Readshaw, aged fourteen years; his sixteen-year-old brother, Harold, and Roy Hessel, aged seventeen, all members of well-to-do families, were drowned in the Chenango River late yesterday by the overturning of a canoe.

Their bodies were recovered within an hour, a few feet from each other.

SEVENTEEN-YEAR-OLD BOY GIVEN TWENTY YEARS

NEW YORK.—Special.—Paul Geldeen, the seventeen-year-old Hartford, Conn., boy, convicted of the murder of Broker William H. Jackson in the Brooks Hotel, was sentenced by Justice Crain today in General Sessions Court to not less than twenty years in prison.

Winner—Frank A. Gotch, of Humboldt, Ia., champion wrestler of the world.

Loser—George Hackenschmidt, of Dorpat, Russia, European champion.

First fall—Gotch pinned Hackenschmidt with a reverse body hold. Time, 14:18-15.

Second fall—Gotch pinned Hackenschmidt with a toe lock. Time, 5:32-1-5.

Total wrestling time, 19:50-2-5.

Referee—Edward Smith.

Attendance—9,909 (estimated).

Total receipts—\$87,053.

Gotch's share—\$21,000 and 50 per cent. of moving picture profits.

Hackenschmidt's share—\$13,500.

Jack Curley, Hackenschmidt's manager, received \$29,337 and his share.

Empire Athletic Club's share—\$8,532.

Expenses—\$18,616.

WHIPS MAN WHO INSULTED WIFE

OFFERED MRS. WISE AN INSULT AND HUSBAND WENT AFTER OFFENDER.

RICHMOND, VA.—Special.—Good lungs and the presence of a couple of policemen are responsible for the existence of Ben Arenstein, a tailor, today. The man was in the Police Court yesterday, and he bore every evidence of having had trouble with a real live and stalwart man.

A man who had insulted his wife caused to remember is Charles Wise.

Arenstein lives in East Broad Street. The Wise rent apartments and went out to see Arenstein, Arenstein demanded rent on Friday in advance, and when it was not forthcoming he sought out Constable William H. Wyatt and sued out a distress warrant.

Wise while he was at dinner. Wise said that he did not think there was any occasion for paying rent in advance, and he said he would wait.

Then the action at law.

Then it developed that Arenstein had offered an insult to Mrs. Wise, that he had insulted her and her husband, and having no friends in the city, being comparative strangers, she feared that her husband would kill the man and so she kept quiet, though she said she told her neighbors and asked an officer, whom she knew slightly, what she should do. This was last Thursday. The officer advised her to go to his wife's room and to tell him to come and see the man and to tell him to come.

Then the serving of the process on the husband angered the wife, and she finally told her husband of the insult by Arenstein.

Then the husband, who had not told her before, and she said that she was afraid he would kill Arenstein. Mr. Wise put on his coat and went out to see Arenstein, going to his store, but he was not in. He then went to another place and inquired for him. Trying to cool off the matter, he went to the police and decided to go to the ball game and try to let his temper subside. Coming back, he found Arenstein pouring water into his automobile, and asked him what he meant by pouring water into his rooms and insulting her. Arenstein ordered Wise to go away, applying an ugly and vile epithet.

Wise did not go away, but he called into Arenstein and blacked his eye, broke his nose and was just getting ready to give him a good beating when the men came to the police station to his predicament, and Mr. Wise was forced to desist.

Justice John said that when a man's wife was insulted and he resented it, and the man who did the insulting was able to come to court, he would dismiss the man who resented the insult. Wise was dismissed of the charge of felonious assault.

RAILROAD EMPLOYEES CONSIDERING STRIKE

CHICAGO.—Special.—With a strike of 8,000 employees of the Illinois Central Railroad regarded as probable, officials of the Federated Employees of the Illinois Central allied with the union in conference to discuss the situation today.

Camels Led by Donkey.

Camels form a great feature in Eastern life, and strangers are always interested in watching strings of them roped together, and led, as they invariably are, by a donkey. The animals are so tame that they will proceed unless their diminutive friend is in his place at the head of the procession. Some say that this is because the camels are so used to the smell of the tobacco smoke wafted back to them from the lips of the rider of the donkey, and there may be something in this. A friend of mine once chanced to see a camel, and he thought the animal had gone mad, and lit out at his best racing pace across the plain. Fortunately the driver was able to interpose, and he blew a cloud of tobacco smoke toward the camel, which stopped short and snuffed it up with every appearance of satisfaction. The man explained to my friend that the



MRS. ROBERT W. HARCOURT, BEAUTIFUL BRITISH BRIDE

LONDON, Sept. 2.—Miss Margery Cunard, member of the famous family which founded the steamship line bearing their names, and regarded as "the perfect type of British beauty" is now Mrs. Robert Vernon Harcourt, wife of the noted member of Parliament, who is a grandson of John Lothrop Motley, the famous American historian and diplomat. He is a son of the late Sir William Vernon Harcourt and a brother of the present Colonial Secretary. A pretty romance led to the wedding. They first became engaged two years ago. Shortly afterward the engagement was broken. Then a few weeks ago things were patched up somehow and a happy marriage followed.

DOESN'T FAVOR THE "NEW WOMAN"

BISHOP NILAN SAYS SWAGGER AND STARE HAVE SUCCEEDED SWEETNESS AND MODESTY.

HARTFORD, CONN.—Special.—The contemporary fashions in women's dress and in general the attitude of the "New Woman" toward the world were the subject of a sermon preached Sunday by Bishop John J. Nilan in St. Joseph's. A pretty romance led to the wedding. They first became engaged two years ago. Shortly afterward the engagement was broken. Then a few weeks ago things were patched up somehow and a happy marriage followed.

TAINED MONEY' PASTOR RESIGNS

COLUMBUS, OHIO.—Special.—Dr. Washington Gladden, famed for his opposition to accepting John D. Rockefeller's money for missionary purposes and the originator of the term "tainted money," has written a letter to his congregation of the First Congregational Church, announcing his early retirement from active duties in the church. He has been in the church for twenty years. Dr. Carl L. Patton, acknowledging that he is at a loss to account for the resignation, said that his resignation was a surprise.

LOST NEW YORKER FINDS SILVER MINE

RENO, NEV.—Special.—James Mahoney, the former New York policeman whose disappearance Wednesday night from the Government surveying camp caused a wide search to be instituted for him, as it was feared he had fallen victim to the desert heat, arrived in Reno considerably improved after his narrow escape from death.

Samples of ore taken from a ledge discovered by Mahoney gave evidence of containing a large amount of silver. Mahoney says he is confident of being able to return to the scene of his find, but will not do so unless accompanied by others more used to the ways of the desert. He admitted his trip across the desert had been made in an undress uniform consisting solely of undergarments and shoes.

Mahoney was working five miles from camp. He complained of heat and asked permission to return to camp. His request was refused, the trip alone being regarded as too dangerous, but he insisted and left.

Little Willie Again.

"Pa!" came little Willie's voice from the darkness of the nursery. Pa gave a bad imitation of a snore. He was tired and did not wish to be disturbed.

"Pa!" came the little voice again. "What is it, Willie?" replied his father, sleepily.

"I don't know, I want to see you!" said the little voice.

So Pa rose up from his downy, and putting on his bath robe and slippers, marched into the nursery.

An American Gretna Green.

An interesting account of a remarkable matrimonial Mecca in Tennessee, whither the lovers of the South and West of the States come to be united by Mr. Burroughs, the "Marrying Parson," appears in the April Wide World Magazine. Mr. Burroughs runs a hotel especially for the accommodation of runaway couples, and has performed weddings in all sorts of exciting circumstances.

Some years ago a mountain boy and girl rode up to the door of Mr. Burroughs' house on a mule, the girl seated on a coffee-sack behind her lover. The love-smitten youth was clad in a suit of Kentucky jeans, and wore a weather-beaten slouch hat and brown shoes. The girl on the coffee-sack was dressed in white, with blue dots, and wore an India rubber engagement ring. Pulling on the rein to stop the mule, the youthful mountaineer yelled, "Hello!" and the parson came to the door.

"Is this the place where yer marry folks?" queried the rustic.

"Yes, sir."

"How much do yer charge fer marryin'?"

"According to a man's purse, sir. Would two dollars and fifty cents be too much?"

"I ken beat that in North Carolina." And without waiting for another offer the youngster spurred the old mule and rode off, the girl clinging to him with both arms.

AGAIN PUT BLAME ON ENGINEER

Engineer Responsible for Railroad Collision That Cost Three Lives—Many Hurt.

ERIE, PA.—Special.—When passenger train No. 50, on the Erie and Pittsburgh Road collided with a Lake Shore freight at Dock Junction last night, killing three and injuring over a score, the freight had the right of way and the disaster was caused by Engineer Jones disregarding his red light signal, according to an investigation concluded early today. The passenger train was running thirty minutes behind time and Jones was endeavoring to make up time when the wreck occurred.

Engineer Jones was ground to bits and with him two others lost their lives: E. Anderson, a railroad carpenter of this city, and an unknown foreigner. Of the injured Engineer Firman, who was acting as fireman on the wrecked train, is likely to die. A relief train today cleared away the debris from the tracks. All Lake Shore trains were switched over onto the Nickel Plate tracks at Conneaut, Ohio.

MASKED ROBBERS LOOT AMUSEMENT PLACE

CHICAGO.—Special.—After binding and gagging and then fatally shooting George Pfister, night watchman, three masked robbers went through the concessions at Ravinia Park amusement resort, early today, and escaped with \$800.

Pfister managed to crawl to a telephone booth, where he called the police. He was found in the booth dying. Bloodhounds were put on the trail.

The robbers were believed to be the men who robbed the Highwood Post-office of \$800 recently.

INDIAN FIGHTERS RETIRE FROM ACTIVE ARMY SERVICE

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Special.—Colonel Hobart K. Bailey, commanding the Twenty-ninth Infantry, an Indian fighter, was retired from active service in the army today, his sixty-fourth birthday.

Both of these men won fame in the Indian wars. They were commended for bravery in many fights, and each will be a brigadier general on the retired list.

Unnecessary Questions.

Dobbiegh had just come upon Hawkins standing in the middle of the road with his motor car turned completely upside down and surrounded by a crowd of curious urchins.

"Hello, Hawkins!" said he, stopping his own car. "What's the matter? Car turned turtle?"

"Not at all, Dobbiegh, not at all," replied Hawkins. "These kids here wanted to see how the machine works. I hired a crowd and had the car turned upside down just to please the little dears."—Harper's Weekly.

FLOODS CAUSES 100,000 DEATHS

Chinese Along Devasted Valley Dying of Starvation—Missionaries Helping Situation.

HANKOW, CHINA.—Special.—Solutions were dispatched into Nanyang province today to aid in the relief work for the survivors of the devastating flood of the Yang Tze Kiang River, which claimed 100,000 lives and left a waste of many crops.

At the same time an appeal was made to the government to solicit assistance from foreign countries for the survivors who are perishing from starvation and exposure. American and other foreign missionaries are doing their utmost to succor the suffering.

Nativity dispatch bears from the devastated zone declare that heavy rains in the Kuen-Lun mountains caused the flood. They also said that the Imperial Canal was out of its banks.

The usual scenes of lawlessness are following in the wake of the disaster. Outlaw bands affiliated with the "Boxers" have seized the opportunity to kill and loot unchecked. There is a complete absence of a reign of law within the borders of the flood swept area.

REVOLT FEARED IN PORTUGAL

ROYALISTS SAID TO BE COLLECTING FORCE AND GOVERNMENT IS SENDING OUT TROOPS.

LISBON, Sept. 4, VIA BADAJOS, SPAIN.—Special.—The Portuguese government has spread 50,000 soldiers throughout the mountainous regions of the northern frontier to stop the activity of royalist agents who are recruiting forces among the mountaineers with offers of large pay and bounties.

Fearing that a long border warfare is in prospect, President de Arriaga has given orders to crush out every vestige of the revolt.

There have been heavy movements of troops from Oporto, which was formerly the hot bed of monarchist activity, but which has become a very quiet of late under military pressure.

The government is attempting to settle industrial disputes here and elsewhere throughout the republic.

Dispatch-bearing automobiles bound for Badajoz are having a difficult time passing the soldiers, as the government troops are making a show of force in domestic conditions from the outside world.

POLICEMAN SERIOUSLY SHOT BY BURGLAR

NEW YORK.—Special. Surprised by Policeman Thomas B. Hunt as he was in the act of breaking into the residence of former Assistant Secretary of State Samuel Hoffman, in Arverne, L. I., early, a burglar turned his revolver upon the officer with probable fatal effect.

The Hoffman family had just retired, having entertained friends, and were alarmed by the sound of two

POLITICS ACTIVE IN NELSON COUNTY

Less Than 100 Difference for Senatorial Contests—Race for General Assembly.

MYNDUS, VA.—Special.—On the eve of the senatorial primary elections of the opposing factions in Nelson county are showing great activity in lining up their respective forces for the final struggle, and each side is claiming victory with about an equal show of confidence.

To the unbiased looker-on indications point to a close finish with less than 100 votes between the contestants. Nelson is a close county between the two factions, the difference being less than 100 votes.

This was demonstrated six years ago when Senator Martin got about sixty majority over Governor Moore. Moore, when Tucker, of the opposite faction, had about the same margin over Mr. Mann for Governor.

Congressman Glass and Jones, of the county during the present campaign, Senator Swanson has not, but his campaign is taken up by strong leaders, who claim a good majority over Mr. Glass.

Indications point to a heavy vote, for while there is widespread interest in the contests for United States Senators, the contests for the General Assembly of Delegates are not being overlooked by any means.

Indeed, the battle for a seat in the upper house of the General Assembly, between former Senator Bland Massie and John H. Massie, is the most spirited of all, and they and their friends are hard at work day and night to capture the prize.

Four men are in the House race. They are George W. Whitehead, lawyer (incumbent); H. Lewis Brown, lawyer; J. H. Hill, surveyor, and James H. Hill, farmer.

The Democrats will make no nominations for county officers. These will be voted for in a free-for-all contest in the November election.

Told Her to "Plant It" and Then He Goes and Gobbles the "Seed."

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—That his washwoman trusted to him \$700 which he did not enlarge or return, in the belief that he, a spiritualistic medium, was on such terms of intimacy with the powers of the other world that he could increase the value of gold or other precious metals by enlarging them, was the charge against Robert H. St. Clair at 631 Euclid Avenue.

St. Clair's arrest here was not directly the result of this charge, which was made by the Oakland (Cal.) authorities. He is charged with disappearing from Oakland a large sum of money, taking the \$700 and was followed to Boston, where he was arrested on the charge of grand larceny.

In Boston, however, he had a large following of spiritualists, and one, a widow, had been so impressed by his powers that she furnished \$1,800 for him to use in his hearing on the California charge. It is alleged that after his release from the Boston jail he tried to settle with his washwoman, but was unsuccessful. He then returned to Kansas City, where he was arrested on the \$700. The day before his hearing in Boston he disappeared, and it was through the efforts made by the woman who had trusted him that he was arrested here.

St. Clair is fifty years old. He has all of the prepossessing qualities that encourage confidence. He has the appearance of a man of education, refinement and there is nothing about him that suggests the criminal. As a spiritualist he is conceded a leader and his real power is in his hands. He is said to have created a furor among the spiritualists by his wonderful seances.

The case was made at the home of James B. Powell, 631 Euclid Avenue, where St. Clair had been rooming for the past two weeks. St. Clair had been seen by a detective of Boston, Robert Reid, a detective of Boston, who arrived in Kansas City Saturday and Isaac Walstrom commenced the search for the missing money. Reid was told the arrest, and Reid was with them at the time. St. Clair tried to convince the detectives that he was not a thief, but they were looking for, but finally said:

"Well, I know what you want me for, so I guess I might as well give up." He was taken to police headquarters and is being held in the holdover until Detective Reid has arranged to take him back to Boston.

When arrested he gave the name of Robert H. St. Clair, of Oakland, Cal. In Boston he was known as Harry Moore, and at other places as Harry Rothmel when he came to Kansas City.

Oakland Police Tell Story.

A letter from the chief of police of Oakland to Chief of Police Griffin of Boston, dated last week, told of St. Clair, giving a full description of him, and claiming that the value of gold and silver could be increased with the aid of spirits and thereby gained the confidence of a number of his followers. St. Clair was a man of about 50 years of age, of medium height, and was said to have a large sum of money.

After a reasonable length of time he went to St. Clair's office to get the money, which he thought by that time had doubled. They found St. Clair gone. He had disappeared, and where there were many number of spiritualists. In the meantime he had St. Clair's former residence watched and he was seen to get into a box and trunk left the place in an express wagon.

The wagon was followed and a detective succeeded in getting on such good terms with the driver that he was permitted to ride on the wagon, and soon learned that the box and trunk were consigned to Harry Rothmel, 631 Euclid Avenue, Kansas City, Mo.

Boarding House Shadowed.

With this information Reid left Boston at once for Kansas City. When he arrived here he found the trunk and box had not been delivered. With photographs of St. Clair, Reid and Detective Smith and Walstrom began looking for him in hotel rooms, where he was where he lived, but did not see him on Saturday. Yesterday morning Detective Walstrom went to 631 Euclid Avenue on the pretense of wanting to rent a room, while the other two detectives waited outside. While Walstrom was at the front door, Rothmel, or St. Clair, came down the stairs and took a seat on the front porch, was recognized and arrested.

Detective Reid says that just as soon as he gets his prisoner back to Boston and relieves the woman who furnished the \$1,800 bond of the responsibility of the man's appearance there, he will be taken to Oakland, Cal., to answer to the original charge.

VA. TRAPSHOOTERS AT LYNCHBURG

LYNCHBURG, VA., Special.—Twelfth annual tournament of the Virginia Trapshooters' Association opened here today. The shooting is in attendance. Roanoke sent over about twenty-five men, Staunton a team of five, Waynesboro a team of five, also Norfolk and other cities. The shooters were represented. The grounds are beautiful and the weather ideal. Many experts are on the ground, among them Lloyd B. Lewis, of the Dupont Powder Company, who is assisting the management; George L. Lyons, of the U. M. C. Co.; S. P. Compas, of the Winchester Arms Company; C. O. Le Compt, of the Dupont Powder Company; Lester S. German, J. H. Schall and E. H. Starr, of the Peters Cartridge Company; Harry Housman, of the Western Cartridge Company; J. A. Anderson, of the U. M. C. Co.; J. R. Taylor, T. O. Gibbs and others.

The Richmond race is composed of W. L. Boyd, W. A. Hammond, V. Heckler, Charles B. Cooke and T. J. Hundley.

Forty, 50,000 targets will be shot at during the two days and about \$6,000 in prize money distributed.

BALTIMORE BARS BEATTIE FILMS

Moving Pictures Are Barred From the Show Houses by the Police.

BALTIMORE, MD., Sept. 4.—Acting Marshal Manning declared that no moving picture house in Baltimore will be permitted to show motion pictures in which Beulah Binford, "the other woman" in the Beattie murder case, of Richmond, is shown. He said that his line, the Acting Chief of Police said:

"I do not believe in making a heroine of any woman, such as the Binford woman, and giving the curious public an opportunity to gaze upon her. It surely will not be elevating to the morals of the young girls of our city who frequent the picture parlors to gaze upon the views of a young woman who has been unfortunate enough to become the central figure in such a sensational case."

JEALOUSY LEADS TO SHOOTING

Rejected Suitor Then Commits Suicide—Tragedy in Fashionable New York Colony.

NEW YORK.—Special.—The jealous rage of a rejected suitor was the only motive advanced today for the murder of nineteen year old Catherine Van Wyck, by twenty year old William A. Childs, Jr., who shot him off to death after fatally wounding the girl at the fashionable Quogue, L. I., summer colony last night.

Childs was madly infatuated with the girl, who was the acknowledged belle of the colony. Miss Van Wyck was the daughter of Albert Van Wyck, a Brooklyn real estate broker, and Mayor Robert A. Van Wyck, of New York City. Childs was a member of the 1912 class at Princeton.

The shooting occurred near a turnpike and was witnessed by a number of automobilists.

A Richmond correspondent says that various causes for the tragedy are being declared themselves in favor of an early State convention of the Democratic party, but that the party may decline its position on public opinion.

Such a convention is sadly needed. The shooting of a party of Virginia is wabbling along like an automobile full of gasoline but minus steering apparatus.—Times-Herald.

WESTERN VIEW

The proper place for a report of the Beattie case is the Police Gazette. Why do we all publish such vile stuff? Because the public are greedy for it?—Leavenworth Post.

Seattle, Wash., recently buried the hammer, and an "End, world," has buried the hammer. People are rapidly coming to the conclusion that they can't saw wood with that noisy tool.—Herald-Courier.

A Romantic Wishing Well

Near Boston Spa, in Yorkshire, England, there is a so-called "wishing well" which is probably nothing more than a survival of pagan tree-worship. The place is called St. Helen's Well, and has been so named ever since the days of the Romans, but those who introduced Christianity into these lands frequently "rehabilitated" the pagan shrines which they found on their path. The legend runs that people who pray will have their wish granted if they leave an offering in the shape of a shirt of their own clothing, or a piece of their own hair, in regard to the nature of their demands. Not only lovers and superstitious country folk make pilgrimages to St. Helen's Well; the grove is frequented in summer time by quite serious people who do not hesitate to murmur their heart's desires.—From the April Wide World Magazine.

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